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March 17, 1997

Steve Lackey Kennecott Barney's Canyon Mining Company P.O. Box 311 Bingham Canyon, Utah 84006

Re: Final Approval of Plan Amendment, Kennecott Barney's Canyon Mining Company, Barney's Canyon Mine, M/035/009, Salt Lake County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lackey:

The Division has completed its review of the additional information received March 7, 1997, regarding the proposed amendment. This latest information was provided in response to the Division's March 4, 1997 review letter. This additional information satisfies our remaining technical concerns. There are a few minor corrections which will need to be made in this latest redlined submission prior to submitting a clean copy. These corrections are listed separately. Please make the corrections and provide us with a clean version of this volume without redline text within the next 30 days. By this letter, the Division hereby issues final approval of the Amended Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Barneys Canyon Mine. This permit amendment will not result in an increase in the existing reclamation surety amount. Therefore, our approval to begin the proposed operations is effective immediately upon your receipt of this notice.

The Division hereby grants variances to the following rules as requested in this amendment:

R647-4-111.9 Dams and Impoundments. The East Barneys Pit will be allowed to remain as an impounding structure after final reclamation.

R647-111.7 Highwalls. The highwalls in the East Barneys Pit will be allowed to remain at angles steeper than 45 degrees after final reclamation.

If you have any questions in this regard please call me at 538-5286 or Tony Gallegos at 538-5267. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in completing this permitting action.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

Attachment: Review
cc: Kiran Bhayani, DWQ
Minerals Staff (route)
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MINOR CORRECTIONS MARCH 7, 1997 AMENDMENT VOLUME BARNEYS CANYON MINE M/037/009 EAST BARNEYS PIT PROJECT

March 13, 1997

Page 121, section 6.6, item 2) should read "Water impounding in the pit will only be a temporary feature after periods of high precipitation ... "

Page 122, section 6.7, paragraph one, should read "Kennecott Barneys Canyon Mining Company requests a variance for rule R647-4-111.7 limiting high wall ... "

Page 123, section 7.0. "The existing reclamation bond is \$4,604,000."